

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A flip portable information device, comprising:
  - a foldable casing; and
  - a mechanical time-watch on a side of the casing facing an exterior when the casing is closed.
2. A flip portable information device, comprising:
  - a foldable casing; and
  - an analog watch on a side of the casing facing an exterior when the casing is closed.
3. The flip portable information device having a foldable casing according to claim 1, further including a display on a side of the casing facing an interior when the casing is closed, the mechanical time-watch being mounted on a back of the display, which faces the exterior when the casing is closed.
4. The portable information device according to claim 3, time indication by the mechanical time-watch being made in synchronization with time indication on the display.
5. The portable information device according to claim 1, the mechanical time-watch being a radio controlled watch that automatically corrects time.
6. A flip portable information device, comprising:
  - a foldable casing; and
  - at least one of an analog watch and a mechanical time-watch on a side of the casing facing an exterior when the casing is closed, the at least one of the analog watch and the mechanical time-watch indicating functional information of the portable information device with hand or mechanically, in addition to time indication.
7. The portable information device according to claim 6, the at least one of the analog watch and the mechanical time-watch including a dial plate that includes an area to indicate the functional information of the portable information device with hand or mechanically, separately from the time indication.
8. The portable information device according to claim 6, the watch indicating the information on an incoming e-mail or an incoming answerphone with hand or mechanically.
9. The portable information device according to claim 6, the watch providing stepwise remaining-power indication with hand or mechanically depending on the remaining power.

10. The portable information device according to claim 6, the watch providing stepwise receiving-sensitivity indication with hand or mechanically depending on the receiving sensitivity of the communication function.

11. A flip portable information device, comprising:

- a foldable casing; and
- at least one of a mechanical time-watch and an analog watch on a side of the casing facing an exterior when the casing is closed, the at least one of the mechanical time-watch and the analog watch and the portable information device having a common power source.

12. The portable information device according to claim 11, further including a solar battery usable as an auxiliary power source.

13. The portable information device according to claim 11, further including a self-generation device to convert rotation of an oscillating weight to electricity.

14. The portable information device according to claim 13, electricity generated by the self-generating device being supplied to a circuit of a telephone.